AF Extends Public Comment Period on Zone 4 Corrective Measures Study and Proposed Plan

The Air Force Base Conversion Agency (AFBCA) at Kelly has extended the **Public Comment Period** on the Corrective Measures Study and Proposed Plan for cleanup of Zone 4 of the former Kelly Air Force Base. The comment period began **June 15**, **2002** and comments will be accepted until **September 3**, **2002**. The study and plan present an evaluation of cleanup alternatives and outline the preferred remedial actions. The Air Force is amending the plan to include the most recent groundwater modeling available. The **amendment** will be available to the public on **August 2**, **2002**. The public is invited to review available information, comment on the preferred actions and the other alternatives that are being considered, and submit any new information they may have.

The public comment period for the Zone 5 Corrective Measures Study and Proposed Plan ends, as originally scheduled, on July 29, 2002.

Zone 4: The Zone 4 Corrective Measures Study and Proposed Plan addresses Zone 4, or East Kelly, contamination as well as contamination that migrated off-base in the shallow groundwater. The sources of contamination appear to have been a metal plating shop, Site MP, along the eastern border of Kelly AFB, and the Industrial Waste Collection System, Site SS051, located in the northwest corner of East Kelly. The following options and combinations thereof were among those evaluated by AFBCA:

- Pump and treat technology
- Reactive barriers
- Existing source controls
- Phytoremediation
- In-situ oxygen treatment

- Soil vapor extraction
- Hvdraulic containment
- Monitored natural attenuation
- No action (regulatory requirement that must be considered)

The preferred cleanup option for Zone 4 involves pump and treat technology, reactive barriers, existing source controls and monitored natural attenuation.

Although these are the preferred options for cleanup for these sites, the AFBCA welcomes public comment on all of the alternatives presented. The AFBCA, in conjunction with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Texas Natural Resource Conservation Commission, will choose final remedies for each zone after considering all public comments. The AFBCA may select any one of the options or some variation of them after considering public comments.

Copies of the Proposed Plan and the current Corrective Measures Study for Zone 4 are available in the Administrative Record File at the following libraries:

San Antonio Central Library Kelly Library

Second Floor, Government Documents
600 North Soledad Street
Building 1650, Room 138
250 Goodrich Drive, Suite 6

The amendment will be available at the above libraries on August 2, 2002.

Fax comments to (210) 925-3636 or mail to: Zone 4 CMS AFBCA/DK 143 Billy Mitchell Blvd., Suite 1 San Antonio, TX 78226-1816

Comments must be received or postmarked no later than September 3, 2002. For more information, call the AFBCA public information line at (210) 925-0956 or visit the Kelly web site: http://kellyafb.net

A responsiveness summary will be prepared to respond to comments received, and it will be made available in the Administrative Record File.